

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR
THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

IN RE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY AVERAGE WHOLESale PRICE LITIGATION	MDL No. 1456 CIVIL ACTION: 01-CV-12257-PBS Judge Patti B. Saris
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: <i>State of Montana v. Abbott Labs., Inc., et al.,</i> D. Mont. Cause No. CV-02-09-H-DWM	

STATE OF MONTANA'S NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF LOCAL COUNSEL

Plaintiff State of Montana hereby notifies the Court that Assistant Attorney General Ali Bovingdon will be substituted as its local counsel in the place of Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich P.L.L.P. in the above-captioned matter. A written consent form executed by the State of Montana, a Notice of Appearance by Attorney Bovingdon, and a Notice of Withdrawal by Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich P.L.L.P. are attached to this Notice as exhibits.

Dated this 21st day of March, 2006.

By /s/ Steve W. Berman
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I, Steve W. Berman, an attorney, caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing, **STATE OF MONTANA'S NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF LOCAL COUNSEL** to be delivered to all counsel of record by electronic service pursuant to Paragraph 11 of the Case Management Order No. 2, by sending on March 21, 2006, a copy to LexisNexis File & Serve for Posting and notification to all parties.

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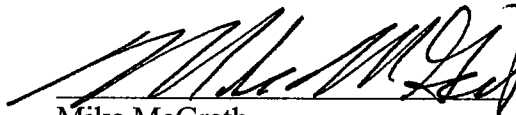
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STATE OF MONTANA'S CONSENT TO SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL

The undersigned hereby consents to a substitution of Ali Bovingdon, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Montana, for the law firm of Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich P.L.L.P. as local counsel for the State of Montana in its role as Plaintiff in the above-captioned matter.

Dated this 17th day of MARCH, 2006.

State of Montana

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike McGrath", written over a horizontal line.

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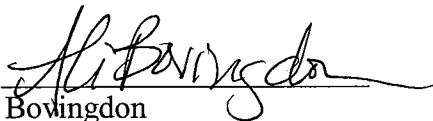
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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF STATE OF MONTANA'S LOCAL COUNSEL

I, Ali Bovingdon, Assistant Attorney General of the State of Montana, hereby notify the Court of my representation of the State of Montana in the above-captioned matter. Further, I hereby agree to my substitution for the law firm of Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich P.L.L.P. in its role as local counsel and accept all of the duties imposed upon me as local counsel by Rule 83.3(f) of the Local Rules of Procedure of the United States District Court for the District of Montana upon remand of this matter to the District of Montana.

Dated this 17th day of March, 2006.

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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF STATE OF MONTANA'S LOCAL COUNSEL

The law firm of Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich P.L.L.P. hereby withdraws as attorneys for the State of Montana in the above-captioned matter. This withdrawal is being filed contemporaneously with the Notice of Representation filed on behalf of the State of Montana by Ali Bovingdon, Assistant Attorney General.

Dated this 17 day of March, 2006.

By 

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